

Remarks

Claims 1-10 are currently pending in the patent application. For the reasons and arguments set forth below, Applicant respectfully submits that the claimed invention is allowable over the cited references.

In the non-final Office Action dated March 10, 2008, the following rejections are present: claims 1-5 and 10 stand rejected under U.S.C. § 103(a) over the Ichihara reference (US Patent No. 7,206,360); claim 7 stands rejected under U.S.C. § 103(a) over the Ichihara reference in view of the Leenaerts reference (U.S. Patent No. 6,999,745); and claim 9 stands rejected under U.S.C. § 103(a) over the Ichihara reference in view of the Olson reference (US Patent No. 7,050,778).

Claims 6 and 8, being noted as allowable if rewritten in independent form, have been so amended and should now be deemed allowable.

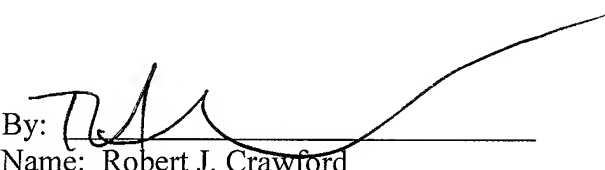
Claim 5, which was objected to due to informalities, has been amended as suggested in the Office Action. This objection should now be removed.

Applicant traverses each of the Ichihara-based § 103(a) rejections, which is based on the Ichihara reference, for lack of correspondence to the claimed invention which is limited to said at least one output signal of said mixer-circuit includes video-image data without audio data and wherein audio data is processed in a signal path that is separate from said at least one output signal of said mixer-circuit.

In view of the remarks above, Applicant believes that each of the rejections/objections has been overcome and the application is in condition for allowance. Should there be any remaining issues that could be readily addressed over the telephone, the Examiner is asked to contact the agent overseeing the application file, Peter Zawilski, of NXP Corporation at (408) 474-9063.

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